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## THE FLAMES DESTROY WHOLESALE CANDY CONCERN'S FACTORY DWELLING HOUSE ALSO BURNED

The most destructive fire within many months here broke out at about 6:30 o'clock Wednesday evening in the establishment of the Walthour Candy Company, on Jackson street, and within less than an hour the three-story frame building and its entire contents were in ashes.

The fire originated presumably in a small room between the bakery and the boiler room, and is believed to have been caused by a gas leakage, as there were no fires in the building at the time the same closed at the end of the day's work.

R. F. Walthour, the manager, left the building half an hour before the fire was discovered and went to supper. He had scarcely reached home until he was notified by Charles Jones, one of the bakers, residing across the street from the establishment, that the building was afire. Mr. Jones appears to have been one of the first to discover it. The alarm was sent in, but by the time the department arrived a few minutes later, the flames were bursting from the building in a fury that meant certain destruction of the entire building and threatened a conflagration in that section of the city.

So great were the flames that the entire populace of the city was aroused and thousands of persons hurried to the scene, but could not approach within reasonable distance because of the intense heat.

The department was powerless to save the candy establishment, and devoted most of its efforts to confining the fire to the one building, but a two-story frame residence in very close proximity caught afire, when the west wall of the wholesale building fell against it, and it too was soon a heap of ruins.

The wholesale building belonged to the Williams & Davison Company, whose loss will reach \$2,000, with \$1,000 insurance, with no insurance.

The Walthour Candy Company's loss reaches beyond \$20,000, but there was some insurance, and therefore, it is not altogether a total loss. There was a \$10,000 stock of goods on hand and the value of the machinery, which is ruined, was \$10,000. In addition to this there was other loss, and the exact amount is yet has not been fully determined.

The holiday trade was well prepared for, the establishment having worked day and night the past two months preparing for it, and many large Christmas orders had been filled to be shipped December 10 and 15.

Fixtures and supplies for the retail store to be opened in the Huch building by the company had just been received and these were destroyed, too.

The bakery was one of the best in the state and the candy concern was not to be excelled in even larger cities, and the fire was especially unfortunate not only for the company but also the public, coming at this season, when the demand is so very heavy.

The residence destroyed was a two-story frame building belonging to the Clifford estate and occupied by Horace Dils and family, who lost practically all their household goods, saving only three hogs that had been butchered a day or so before, and a few small articles.

Some damage was done also to the Baltimore & Ohio railroad tracks and the telephone and telegraph companies also suffered considerably.

The only part of the Clifford property saved was the one-story kitchen, and it was gutted. Thus may the loss be considered total, as there was no insurance. It is estimated that the Clifford loss is between \$2,000 and \$3,000, and Mr. Dils' loss is likely \$1,500.

Other buildings were scorched some, but not sufficiently to regard the same as damaged, to an extent worth mentioning.

A fire of the fire was the aid of the railroad company, which had engines running to and from the tank at Adamston with tanks filled with water, which were em-

## WILLIAMS IS BELIEVED TO HAVE PASSED BAD CHECKS IN THIS TOWN

### NORWEGIAN HAS FOUND NORTH POLE

By Associated Press.

Christiania, Dec. 7.—The Norwegian government is today cabling its felicitation to Captain Roald Amundsen, the Norwegian explorer, who has arrived at Fort Alaska, after making his way through the Northwest passage, and who found the true magnetic pole on George Williams' Island. Dr. Fridtjof Nansen anticipates that the expedition has had great success.

### NINE KILLED IN COLLISION

By Associated Press.

Green River, Wyo., Dec. 7.—An Overland Limited on the Union Pacific collided with a freight train at Wilkins' station early today demolishing engines, dynamo and dining cars of the passenger train.

Nine people are known to be killed, including two mail clerks, four cooks in the dining car, two electricians in the dynamo car and one engineer.

### STATE OFFICER IS SHORT IN ACCOUNTS

By Associated Press.

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 7.—John R. Ward, adjutant-general of the State of Indiana, resigned today on the demand of Governor Handley, as a result of an investigation of his accounts. The committee claims he is short to the amount of \$596.75, which, it is alleged, was secured by General Ward by padding the totals of his requisitions for pay for forty-four companies of the Indiana National Guard and on warrants for supplies for troops. It is alleged the shortage extends back to December, 1903.

### WILLIAMS JAILED FOR NON-SUPPORT

John Williams, colored, was given a trial Thursday morning by Justice M. S. Riley on a warrant sworn out by his wife, Belle Williams, charging him with non-support of herself and their six-year-old boy since Oct. 1. It developed that he has been living with a woman named Carter for some time and followed her here from Elkins, where they formerly lived. He made a complete confession and the justice sent him to jail for 60 days.

The case of Luther Nay against Arlis Harbert and William Bussey, in which he charged them with the theft of harness rings and loops to the value of \$3, was compromised Thursday in Justice S. W. Gordon's court by the return to the stolen property and the defendant paying the costs.

R. E. Sellers, of Pittsburgh, the owner of a lamp black factory in this county, is very ill at the Waldo hotel with appendicitis, but his condition seems to be improving and an operation has not as yet been decided upon. There is hope that it may not have to be resorted to.

died on the blaze.

The Walthour Candy Company held a meeting after the fire and concluded to rebuild at once, or just as soon as the smoldering ruins cool sufficiently to be removed, and the concern announces that it has already arranged to take care of its bread trade.

The Gladden, Alexander & Stoyke cement works were but slightly damaged.

### REAL LIFE IS PORTRAYED BY THE CAST

When the management of a dramatic production are looking about for their cast, they are very careful that the actor engaged to play the part looks the part in real life.

This is especially so in the cast of "The Parvenus," which made such a tremendous hit at the opera house Monday night, and which is to be repeated Friday night. Can any one imagine a more ideal Evalina than Miss Sallis Boggess—the ideal, because she looks the part in every particular, beautiful in face and figure, graceful in manner, sweet voiced as a bird, with a very intelligent idea of the part she is playing.

Then consider Mrs. Estill, where in the world could you secure a more perfect Mrs. Schmidt? She too has a perfect conception of her part, she looks the part, she acts the part, and sings the part in an entirely professional manner.

And as for Rita played by Miss Jean Walker, no road attraction has been here lately with as bright, as lively a little Soubrette as Miss Walker. She is full of ginger from start to finish, she gets the audience going, and keeps them so; she is certainly a wonder.

No! No! We are not going to forget Mrs. Lamberd. Could any one forget that brogue or that beautiful red wig. No! No! Annie O'Brien, your tears shall not be forgotten, you played the part up to the minute.

Miss Pauline Stewart, of Broadus, is possessed of a remarkably beautiful voice, the soft, rich, full tones flow from her pretty throat in a most enrapturing manner.

The Daughters of the Trust? Answer this question to yourself: Has any attraction been here this or last season with as pretty a number as this? Look at their names, Miss May Annan, Miss Florence Thorn, Miss Rozelle Estill, Miss Gay Estill, Mrs. Kelley and Miss Bessie Boggess. Well, if you heard this number you will be back Friday night. If you missed it Monday, don't do it again; it is worth the money. Ask your friends, who were there, they will tell you about it. A more pleased and satisfied audience never filled the opera house than that of last Monday night. They are going to do it all over again Friday night and no doubt Friday night's performance will surpass that of Monday. Prices reduced to 25, 50 and 75 cents.

### MAIER PRAISES THIS CITY

Wheeling, W. Va., Dec. 7.—Mr. W. J. Maier, formerly in the produce and green stuffs business in this city, for the past three or four years in the jobbing business at Clarksburg, is in town taking part in the Masonic ceremonies. Incidentally he expressed unbounded confidence in the future of Clarksburg and says the town is more than ever on the highway to a greater measure of prosperity. The jobbing business of which Mr. Maier has been the owner for the past few years has been disposed of, by him, and it is his intention to go at once to Norfolk, Va., where he will engage in wholesale fruit jobbing on a larger scale than ever before, dealing only in car load lots.

Reverting to Clarksburg and to the advantages of the town, Mr. Maier said there was need still of a great many substantial men, men who will put their shoulders to the wheel and push. He said the period in every town's existence when the get-rich-quick fever and the spectacular has been eliminated, has come to Clarksburg, and now it is nothing but sure and steady growth, with no time for the frivolities of high financing, and wireless dreams. Mr. Maier looks upon his new field as a peculiarly inviting one.

### UNCLE SAM HAS LOTS OF MONEY

By Associated Press.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 7.—The annual report of William B. Ridgeley, comptroller of currency, was submitted to Congress today. It deals elaborately with the financial situation and covers 20 printed pages. Of the stock of money in the United States Mr. Ridgeley says:

"At the close of the fiscal year ended June 30, 1905, the stock of money in the United States amounted to \$2,883,109,864, of which \$2,031,296,042 was in coin, including bullion in the Treasury, and \$851,813,822 United States and national bank notes. The coin, bullion, and paper currency in the Treasury as assets amounted to \$295,227,211, the remainder, \$2,587,882,650, being in circulation. The estimated population of the country on this date was 83,260,000, giving an average circulation per capita of \$31.08. The amount of money held by national and other reporting banks at date of reports nearest to June 30, 1905, was \$987,800,000, which leaves \$1,600,100,000 outside of the Treasury and the reporting banks. Stated in percentages the money in the Treasury represents 10.24 per cent of the stock; in reporting banks 34.27 per cent, and elsewhere 55.49 per cent. The per capita unaccounted for appears to be \$19.22.

"From midsummer of 1900 to June, 1905, the increase in money in banks was from \$749,900,000 to \$987,800,000, or \$237,900,000. In 1900 the banks in the Eastern States held 49.22 per cent of the total, the proportion falling to 46.61 in 1902, 46.01 in 1903; increased to 50.60 in 1904, and decreased to 47.75 in 1905.

"Banks in the New England and Eastern States held 57.47 per cent of the aggregate money in all banks in 1900, and 56.62 per cent in 1904, whereas in 1902 and 1903 the proportion was 54.56 and 53.35 per cent, respectively. In 1905 the average held by banks in those sections was 54.22 per cent."

Speaking of the money of the world Mr. Ridgeley gives the following paragraph as to per capita:

"The greatest per capita stock of money is held in France, namely \$37.13, followed by the United States with \$31.41; Germany \$22.46; Spain, \$19.38; United Kingdom, \$17.58; Italy, \$9.36; Austria-Hungary, \$9.04, and Russia \$6.90."

### CRUELTY CAUSED ASSASSINATION

By Associated Press.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 7.—The assassination on December 5 of Sakharoff in his palace at Saratoff is coupled with stories of atrocious cruelty on his part in repressing the Agrarian disorder. He corralled the peasants with Cossacks, who then beat the prisoners with whips. His assassin has not been identified. She said she had executed a decree of the Terrorists' section of the Social revolutionists.

### BAPTIST SERVICES WILL BE CONTINUED

Services continue at the First Baptist church this week. There is an increased interest and there have been some conversions. Rev. C. H. Holden will preach tonight and tomorrow night. There will also be a boys' and girls' meeting tomorrow afternoon at four o'clock. The pastor will preach on Sunday and will continue evangelistic services every Sunday night. In spite of the excitement last night caused by the fire, there was an excellent congregation. Two persons were received by the church as candidates for baptism.

### DENHAM TO BE REAPPOINTED POSTMASTER

Washington, D. C., Dec. 7.—Sherman C. Denham will be re-appointed postmaster at Clarksburg, W. Va. This was agreed upon during Mr. Denham's visit to this city at the opening of Congress. He has been recommended by Congressman B. B. Dovenor and has the endorsement of both Senators S. B. Elkins and N. B. Scott.

### PANAMA CANAL APPROPRIATION

By Associated Press.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 7.—The reading of the Panama Canal appropriation bill was resumed in the House today.

The first amendment was presented by Williams. He moved to cut the appropriation from \$16,500,000 to \$6,858,333, stating this sum was sufficient to meet the needs of the Commission to January 15 next.

An amendment to that of Williams was offered by Prince, of Illinois, making the appropriation \$10,000,000.

The House rejected the amendment by Williams and adopted an amendment fixing the amount at \$11,000,000.

The Senate passed Senator Tillman's resolution calling on the Secretary of the Treasury for information as to whether the reports of the examiners show whether or not national banks make contributions to political campaigns.

The Senate then went into executive session and adjourned at 2:18.

### OIL MAGNATE PASSES AWAY

By Associated Press.

Marietta, O., Dec. 7.—Daniel Perkins Bosworth, one of the wealthiest and best known oil men in this region, died last night in New York City. He served as acting ensign in the United States navy during the Civil war. He was a member of the Loyal Legion.

### NOTED BODY OF SINGERS WILL WITNESS PARVENUS

A committee from the Ladies' Euterpean Chorus, of Columbus, O., headed by Mrs. M. E. Cassell, the directress, will arrive in the city tomorrow to witness the performance of "The Parvenus" at the Grand tomorrow night. The Euterpean Chorus of Columbus is one of the leading ladies' musical organizations of the United States. This society were looking for a play to present by their members and hearing of the success of "The Parvenus," they telegraphed here to see if they could secure the play and the services of the author, Mr. John Saunders. Upon being answered affirmatively they immediately wired back that the committee would be here on Friday.

The presence of such a distinguished body of singers at the performance will put the local amateurs on their mettle, and a good performance may be expected.

While in the city the party will be guests of Mrs. R. J. Gazley, at the Waldo.

### Entertainment and Supper

The social organization known as the Court of Calanthe will give an entertainment and supper at Reed's hall, on Pike street, tonight, commencing at 8 p. m. All kinds of refreshments will be on sale. There will be no admission charged and the public is heartily invited to be present.

### GRIFFIN ASKS FOR RE-HEARING OF COAL CASE

Attorneys Homer W. Williams and Harvey W. Harmer are preparing to petition the state supreme court for a re-hearing in the case of Leander Griffin against the Fairmont Coal Company, involving the question of liability of the company for damage done to surface caused by the removal of the coal without leaving sufficient support to keep the surface intact. Some time ago Judge John W. Mason here decided against Griffin and a few weeks ago the supreme court handed down an opinion affirming Judge Mason's decision. Messrs. Williams and Harmer will have W. P. Hubbard, of Wheeling, and Judge T. P. Jacobs of New Martinsville, as consulting counsel in the case.

### RICKY ARRESTED AS CABLE CUTTER

Clyde Rickey was brought here from Gypsy Thursday morning charged with cutting the haulage cable of the Fairmont Coal company at its mine at Gypsy the night before Thanksgiving. The crime is quite serious as the cable cost \$1,800. He was taken before Justice M. S. Riley, who held him for examination on Dec. 11 at 1 o'clock p. m.

### LIBRARY DAY TO BE OBSERVED

Library Day will not be observed tomorrow by the High school, that school having but recently held a successful library bazaar, but all the grades up to and including the eighth and some of the other schools will be in the afternoon. Dr. S. K. mostly of a literary nature. There will be in the afternoon. Dr. S. K. Arbutnot will be present in some of the rooms and make short addresses. Patrons and friends of the schools are invited.

### STREET CAR COLLIDES WITH HORSE AND BUGGY

On account of the fire hose being laid across the street car tracks the cars were forced to run east on Pike street last night during the big fire at the Walthour Candy Company's plant. As the large crowds were returning from the scene of the fire some little excitement was occasioned by the Grasselli car, in charge of Conductor Highland and Motorman Dougless, crashing into a horse and buggy driven by a colored man and woman. Slight damage to the buggy was the only result of the collision although for a time it was reported that a man had been run over and killed.

### FUNERAL DIRECTORS MEETING TONIGHT

The meeting of the State Board of Funeral Directors that was to be held at the Waldo last night was postponed until tonight at the same time and place. A number of the members did not arrive as per schedule so the members present decided to wait until those expected have arrived.

Constable Andrew Lyon, of Justice S. W. Gordon's court took possession of a horse ridden into the city Thursday by Russell Carter, of Davison's Run. The arrest of the horse was by virtue of an attachment for costs in a case before Justice Gordon. Tilghman Carter, father of Russell, appeared and claimed the horse as his. He gave bond for the animal and the case was set for December 14 to try the right of property.

### FORGED IS FIRM'S NAME

D. F. Williams, a worker in the oil fields in this section, is missing, and it is believed his disappearance is the result of alleged crooked financial operations, or, if he is not missing, he is wanted by some who cashed checks for him.

Williams was here Saturday and got Messrs. Davis & Barrett, of the Manhattan buffet to cash a check for \$35 for him. The check was dated December 1 and drawn on the Merchants & Producers bank at Salem. Nothing more was thought of the matter until the check reached the bank at Salem Tuesday afternoon, when it was found that the firm, Shofner Brothers, whose names were signed to the check in favor of Williams for labor performed, were not depositors at that bank. Wednesday morning Messrs. Davis & Barrett were notified of that fact, and an investigation was begun. Shaffner Brothers are contractors in the Salem oil field, but the name signed to the check had an "e" in the name and there was but one "f," thus showing that the name could not have been signed by any member of the firm, being misspelled, if meant for that name.

Deputy Sheriff John M. Knox and M. D. Sheridan spent Wednesday afternoon at Salem in quest of Williams, but failed to find him or learn anything about his whereabouts. Members of Shaffner Brothers could not be seen or consulted with as they were in the Doddridge county oil fields beyond reach either by personal or telephone communication.

It is stated that a similar check had also reached the Merchants & Producers bank, for like amount and with the same firm's name signed to it, and it is reported that still other checks of bogus nature have been passed by Williams.

The last seen of Williams here was Sunday morning, when he is supposed to have left the city.

### DR. BOND DIES AT MT. CLARE

The death of Dr. L. B. Bond occurred at his home at Mt. Clare at 10 o'clock Wednesday evening and was caused by typhoid fever. Dr. Bond was 34 years of age and leaves a wife and one son, Harry. His wife was a daughter of Adam Cookman.

The deceased was a prominent physician and was in the employ of the Fairmont Coal company and the Baltimore & Ohio railroad company besides attending to an extensive practice in his neighborhood. He was beloved by all who knew him and no citizen stood higher in the estimation of the community.

The funeral party will leave the residence at 9 o'clock Friday morning and go to the Rockford church, where the obsequies will be conducted by Reverend Feather and Snider at 11:30 o'clock and interment will be in the church cemetery.

### SPECIMEN GLASS SHOWN FROM PEERLESS PLANT

An excellent sample of the glass that is being turned out by the Peerless glass works is on exhibition at the County Mail book store. The glass is clear as crystal, and not in the least stoney or stringy. The plant will start Saturday or Monday with a 25-blowing. If all the glass made is as good as the sample, the company is assured in advance of a prosperous business.

Cincinnati, O., Dec. 7.—Julius Freiberg, aged 82 years, one of the founders of the whicker firm, Freiberg & Workman, died at three o'clock this morning.